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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

SONDRA WILLIAMSON,

Plaintiff,

v.

HARTFORD LIFE AND ACCIDENT
INSURANCE COMPANY, as Claims
Administrator for the Bank of America
Long-Term Disability Plan,

Defendant.

Case No. 2:23-cv-00485-APG-NJK

**ORDER
EXTENDING TIME FOR DEFENDANT
HARTFORD LIFE AND ACCIDENT
INSURANCE COMPANY TO ANSWER
OR OTHERWISE RESPOND TO
PLAINTIFF'S COMPLAINT**

[First Request]

Plaintiff Sondra Williamson ("Plaintiff"), through her counsel, Julie A. Mersch of the Law Office of Julie A. Mersch, and Defendant Hartford Life and Accident Insurance Company ("Hartford"), through its counsel, Michael B. Bernacchi and Nancy J. Marr of the law firm of Burke, Williams & Sorensen, LLP, hereby respectfully submit this Stipulation, Request and Order to Extend Time to Answer or Otherwise Respond to Plaintiff's Complaint (the "Stipulation"). This Stipulation is made in accordance with LR 6-1, LR 6-2, and LR II 7-1 of the Local Rules of this Court. This is the first request for an extension of time for Hartford to file an answer or otherwise respond to Plaintiff's Complaint.

Hartford was served with Plaintiff's Complaint on April 10, 2023, making its current responsive pleading due on or before May 1, 2023. The instant extension is requested as

Hartford's counsel requires additional time for the following reasons: Hartford's counsel only became aware on April 28, 2023 that the company was served with the complaint on April 10, 2023. They thus need additional time to obtain local counsel, apply for admission *pro hac vice*, and review the file in order to prepare a responsive pleading to Plaintiff's Complaint, which may take some time given the complexity of the file.

Upon agreement by and between all the parties hereto as set forth herein, the undersigned respectfully requests this Court grant an extension of time, up to and including May 22, 2023, for Hartford to file an answer or otherwise respond to Plaintiff's Complaint. By entering into this Stipulation, none of the parties waive any rights they have under statute, law or rule with respect to Plaintiff's Complaint.

DATED this 1st day of May, 2023.

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ORDER

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: May 2, 2023

By: 

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE